

# THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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## MEN OUGHT ALWAYS TO PRAY AND NOT TO FAINT

### Without Holiness We Shall Never See God

Mrs. Lina O'Donnell

I thank the Lord for all His kindness to me. This beautiful Sabbath morning as I meditate on God's eternal Word these few lines impress themselves on my heart. Without holiness we shall never see God. Oh, it is so easy for one to imagine he is pure in heart while there is enough corruption in him to keep him out of heaven. If we are not holy enough for heaven, we are not holy enough to live in this present world for we all know that we are leading some one either to heaven or to hell.

Someone is surely walking in the trail we beat out in life's pathway. Men should dread to live one day on earth without a clean heart when we realize the responsibility that rests upon each of us. We have to have a clean heart to live a clean life.

Heaven is a holy place prepared for a holy people. We must prepare down here, for the material for God's great temple at Jerusalem had to be prepared before it reached the ground where the temple was built. That act was a type of our getting ready for heaven. Surely we must be hewn down, measured each way, weighed and polished. Let every bump of selfishness, greed, malice, hatred, envy, strife, jealousy, lying, deceit, filthy communication, foolish jesting and so many other little and big bumps be thoroughly purged out for the ingredients of that holy place are in the heart of each man, woman, or child who are really ready to go there. True holiness takes everything opposed to the whole will of God out of the heart. No wonder such a people feel like there is a little heaven on earth when they are filled with heavenly things.

Oh, if people would earnestly talk to God and let God show them their own faults and misgivings what a blessing it would be to them and others. I, for one, want God to continually keep His searchlight upon my soul. The Evangel is all the preaching and Sunday School I have, but praise God, it encourages me to keep in the way. I ask all its readers to pray for me that I might keep in the center of His will.—A sister in the Lord.

### Dist. Sunday School Convention Good

DODD CITY, Tex. — The district Sunday School convention was held here at the Lone Elm Church of God June 8th. The Lord surely did bless in a wonderful way. Praise the Lord! The meeting opened with congregational singing and prayer by Brother Gilley, pastor of Lannius church. Lone Elm and Ladonia presented their program in the morning after which we spread dinner and all enjoyed the feast. Then Paris and Lannius rendered their programs which were enjoyed by all. This was followed by some good singing. We then had to say goodbye for the day. We had a large crowd, was hardly standing room inside. We just want to invite everyone back again. We surely do have some good times here at Lone Elm. We are just getting along fine over here and the Lord surely does bless. Of course we have the devil to fight for he never goes to sleep on his job. Pray for us.—Your humble brother and sister, W. A. Gross and wife, pastor at Lone Elm.

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### A Good Word For Key West

KEY WEST, Fla. — I came to Key West April 13, 1930 for a revival. I stayed about six weeks. We had a good revival that proved a success in many ways. Thank the Lord! I came back here from the Florida State camp meeting to pastor the church until the Assembly. I am thankful for the condition I found things in when I took the work over. There was no trouble anywhere. Bless the Lord!

I often read in the Evangel where some lay member is expressing his appreciation of his pastor, but the pastors seem to be backward about speaking a good word for their flock thru the Evangel. I must say a good word for the Church of God in Key West. They come to every service unless hindered. They are good tithepayers. The Sunday School is good. The Y. P. E. is only two weeks old but is coming along nicely. It has twenty-one members, including honorary members.

We desire all who read this to pray much that God will give us a great soul saving, sin killing, devil driving, Holy Ghost inspired revival that will come from the Glory World and roll over Key West until Jesus comes again. Bless His name! Saints, let's keep our minds enveloped with God's glory, our souls and bodies filled with His Spirit, and our hearts flooded with His love. Pray for me. — E. E. Coleman, 1106 Olivia St.

### Praying For a Revival

VERBENA, Ala. — Dear Evangel family, I praise the Lord for His wonderful blessings to me. I thank Him for making a way for our State Overseer to be with us. He preached for us Friday and Saturday night, also Sunday. He gave us some stirring messages that will no doubt be long remembered by some of God's saints at this place. We hope that God will send him this way again soon. We also had a nice little Sunday School program Sunday evening. The little children did nice in reciting. Pray that the Lord will bless our Sunday School. I feel that Sunday School is a wonderful work for God in a community. We are small in number but we believe God will have some saints here when He comes after His own. We want to thank God for our visiting brethren Sunday. They rendered valuable service with their music. I am sure it was enjoyed by many. We invite them back with us again. Everybody pray that we will have a wonderful revival here this Summer and that God will send us the one He wants to help in the revival.—Your brother in Christ, Henry Cleckler, clerk.

### New Field Opened

LENOIR CITY, Tenn. — I wish to sound a note of praise thru the dear Evangel for the way the dear Lord has blessed me for what little work I have done. We have just closed a revival at Kingston, Tenn. Three were saved, two sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost and several were in the altar. We also opened a new field at Palestine, a Baptist church, with good prospects. I desire the prayers of all the saints that we may always be in the center of the Lord's will. — Yours in service for the Lord, J. G. Garrett.

### 7 Saved, 13 Received Holy Ghost

Just closed a wonderful meeting at Townsend, Tenn. The meeting lasted for three weeks. Brother and Sister H. L. Trim were with us part of the time and rendered valuable service. It was the greatest meeting Townsend has had for years. It was said that people came for miles and were hungry for God. Seven were saved, four sanctified, thirteen baptized with the Holy Ghost, sixteen added to the church and ten followed the Lord in water baptism. The church was wonderfully built up and backsliders were reclaimed and are loving one another now. — Yours for Him, W. A. Walker.

### The First Thing A Disciple Should Pray For

R. P. JOHNSON

(Continued from last issue)

The first thing, THY KINGDOM COME, becomes our prayer. Jesus knew that if His disciples were to accomplish anything, that thing must first be their prayer, for the kingdom could not be risked among men except it first become the greatest desire of men. There is much more in prayer than a mere pleading with God to persuade Him to do something for us. I am afraid that some of us cheapen prayer by trying to get God to do for us those things that we can do for ourselves. Let us be careful of how we pray. Please don't be selfish. (If we can enlist God to do our work or do something for us, we will make that an object of prayer.) How weak, how unworthy, how unbecoming such motive is to Christianity. Thy kingdom come was the first basis on which Jesus established prayer. Jesus meant to set them on fire with a great purpose. Their prayer was to bring a certain thing to pass, and that was THY KINGDOM COME. If "thy kingdom come" becomes the united prayer of every disciple of Jesus Christ, more and more will become interested in its coming.

A basal zeal in prayer is what always has and always will make the genuine missionary. If the base of your prayer is little and selfish, you will be selfish in your labor. If THY KINGDOM COME becomes the base of your prayer, you will hear, you will heed the call to the MISSION work. For nothing but missions, missions, missions can be logical for a people that have been taught to pray as Jesus has taught us to pray, THY KINGDOM COME. Someone has truthfully said that the church did not make the gospel but the gospel made the church. That is foundational. Thru hard, long, dark and sometimes dreary years God has been leading us along and the yearning for the thing that we have been praying for has increased (in some hearts at least) and as we look back over the trail that Christianity has traveled, we see men looking with expectancy; the martyrs we can trace thru smoke and flame leaving undying testimonies of how deep in faith they had gone. Fire could neither scare nor burn it out of the souls of those who had it. Nero could not hound it out of women and children even though he threw them into the wild beasts' den to be torn to pieces while God haters looked on with glee. STILL THE FAITH SURVIVED.

Faith survived thru the ages that persecution was at a stand still (and it is harder for faith to survive where there is lack of interest than it is to flourish where there is persecution). Thru persecution and thru indifference prayer never died. Men and women all down thru the ages have agonized to God and while indifference and skepticism have filled the air until they almost choke, there are those who have made Luke 11:2 the base of their prayer and nothing else will satisfy but THY KINGDOM COME. As we travel thru past centuries there we find men and women who sacrificed both position and riches and even to life to establish this faith among those who knew not God. In every age our three worded text has sprung from hearts that were aflame and poured forth from lips that were not ashamed but it has not advanced beyond the position of prayer. But with patience and faith they prayed on, praying conviction down on you and me and as we write we feel something run thru our being saying, "Go, go, go," and we are almost persuaded to jump up, pack our suit case and go, for we have tasted the sweetness that comes from praying this prayer. And I say to myself, "If it is sweet to pray for the kingdom to come, it will be much sweeter to go to bring it in." I feel like I hope you feel. I feel that I am about to say something that may cost me more than I ever thought. It may mean that we will have to give up some things that are very dear to us. It may mean that you will have to surrender positions or means and possibly both, if we keep praying as taught in Luke 11:2. Here is what is on my heart and here is

### Reading Evangel Brings Comfort

WHIPPLE, Ohio—Dear Evangel readers, greetings in Jesus' dear name. I am so glad salvation is free. I thank God for sending someone to Archers Fork to preach holiness. I love the Church of God and her teachings and love the Evangel. Reading the testimonies of God's children has given me lots of comfort and help. Many times the power has fallen and God has blessed me since I have begun to write. I feel like traveling on in this pure and holy way.

Some few nights ago I was in pain and distress. I prayed and God answered prayer and I was relieved. My daughter suffered with the headache and the second night I prayed for her and she was healed. Dear saints everywhere, let us all pray for one another. May God bless all of you. My home is open to any Church of God preacher to stay if the Lord leads anyone to come to Whipple to hold a revival. The church here has been offered for service. They have gas and a piano and let them use both. The closest Church of God is at Marietta, Ohio, about ten miles away. Whipple is a small town.—From a sister in Christ, Mrs. Sanford Williamson.

### He Strengthens and Cheers

PARK CITY, Mont. — I am sounding a note of praise and thankfulness thru the Evangel for what my blessed Redeemer has done for me. Oh He has blessed in so many ways! He has saved, and sanctified me and the blessed Holy Ghost abides. Glory to God! I am a member of the Church of God. I thank Him for His wonderful love, care, and protection. He is with us all the way if we only lean on Him for guidance. We live twenty-five miles from the nearest Church of God. It is so hard for me to go to meeting very often. I did not get to attend the state assembly on account of sickness, yet the dear Lord is with me to strengthen and cheer me. I need the fellowship one with another that Brother Letsinger writes about in the Evangel. The Lord knows all our needs and I am trusting Him to supply them. Pray for me that I may ever be found faithful. — A sister in Christ, Hattie Stone, Box 181.

### No Revival But Souls Are Praying Thru

FAXON, Okla. — I am praising God for what He means to me. I am saved, sanctified and seeking the Holy Ghost. God has been blessing the band at Faxon. Eight were baptized yesterday in water. Brother Dodson of Lawton did the baptizing. Although there has not as yet been a revival here, I am praying we can soon have one. Several have been saved, several sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Sister Mollie Wilson, our leader, surely has the Holy Ghost abiding in her soul, for she bears the fruits.

I truly believe we are living in the last days before the tribulation period for God has said, I will pour out my spirit on all flesh. Please pray for this band of saints at Faxon and pray for me that I will endure to the end. — Your sister in Christ, Florence Yates.

### 2 Saved, Five Received Holy Ghost

SELMA, Ala. — I thank God for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the sweet Holy Ghost. I am glad that God saw fit to send Brother Potts our way to preach the Gospel. Two were saved and five received the Holy Ghost. Brother Potts surely is a godly man. He preaches the Gospel straight. I desire the prayers of all the saints that I will be humble and true and ready to go when Jesus comes or calls. —Your sister in Christ, Lannie Barrett.

### THE LEADER, THE SIGNAL, THE RESULT

For several days this scripture has been ringing in my ears. Judges 7:18. The sword of the Lord and Gideon. God can work by the few as well as the many. He told Gideon what to do. He divided the men into three companies and put a trumpet in every man's hand with empty pitchers and lamps within the pitchers. He said, when I give the signal, blow the trumpet and say, The sword of the Lord and of Gideon. As they obeyed their leader something happened. God always has a leader. At the signal they blew the trumpets, broke the pitchers, revealing the lamps, and shouted, The sword of the Lord and of Gideon. At the shout and the light the enemy was frightened and began to run, but God sent confusion among them. That little band of three hundred put the whole host of the enemy to flight. What they did seemed foolish did it not? But what was the outcome? The whole army of the enemy was conquered. Children of God who think you are something, you are nothing. When you realize you are nothing God fights for you. Truly God moves in mysterious ways.

Remember the fall of Jericho. This city had great walls around it and all the people were shut in. God said to Joshua that he and his men of war should march around the city once a day for six days with seven priests bearing before the ark seven trumpets of rams' horns. On the seventh day they were to march around the city seven times, the priests blowing the trumpets, and when they made a long blast the people were to shout and the walls fall down. It took faith to do all that marching without any sign of victory and to shout. Anyone can shout after the walls fall. But that was God's way and these people obeyed. What was the result? The walls went down. Oh dear children of God, the evil days are upon us and we need to work and pray as never before.

The Word tells us to strive together for the faith of the gospel. This is a hard place to get the children of God together. The enemy is strong in this city, especially against the church. A fight has been going on since last November here in Dayton. The devil comes with such force and vengeance. Brother and Sister Gamble are still here fighting the good fight. Brother Gamble gives out the Word with power. Dear ones, we must have the gopher wood if we build. Pine, oak, and hickory won't do. Pray that God will lead and direct us. — Your sister under the blood, Nannie Harden, Dayton, Ohio.

### Wonderfully Blessed By Meetings

HAGAN, Ga. — I thank God for His goodness to us here. We started a revival at the Church of God tabernacle the second Sunday in June and it ran two weeks. The Lord wonderfully blessed. Ten were saved, six received the Holy Ghost and thirteen were baptized in water. Many more are coming to the altar. Our tabernacle seats about four hundred and it was almost filled to its capacity each night. Bro. James Roberts brought the messages. Mrs. Mangrum was faithful at the piano. We have had several able preachers with us the last few months. Among them were Brother Scott, Sister Green, Brother McNear, Brother Floyd, Brother James Roberts and Bro. Ernest Pool. I feel that we are greatly blessed by these meetings. I want every Church of God member to pray that God will give these people light on the Church and will continue to bless. Pray for us that we may grow stronger and stay in the center of God's will. — D. E. Bazemore, deacon.

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**EDITORIALS**

It will not be long till time to start  
to the annual Assembly which con-  
venes at the Church of God Auditorium,  
Cleveland, Tenn. Oct. 20 D. V.  
No doubt there are many already  
making arrangements to come.

This has surely been a good year  
for the Church of God. The Lord has  
blessed in many ways. It has been a  
wonderful year for revivals and surely  
the Lord has blessed and helped us  
here at Headquarters. We know the  
Lord has done it, therefore, we should  
give Him praise and honor.

We are truly glad to know that so  
many on the field join us in prayer  
each morning from 8:30 to 9:00. We  
pray over many requests and anoint  
many handkerchiefs and send out each  
week. Join us in earnest prayer that  
God may heal them.

It is easy to find fault with those  
around us but it takes a real Christian  
to love and do good to his enemies.

We hope that all our people will give  
us a chance to do their printing such  
as: letterheads, envelopes, state-  
ments, posters for revivals, pro-  
grams, or any other work of this kind  
that you may have. We will do our  
best to give you prompt attention and  
to please you. We appreciate the  
patronage of our many friends.

We have received this week about  
fifty subscriptions to the Evangel  
Marie M. Tiedman sent twenty; H. N.  
Bridges, eleven; W. A. Walker, five;  
B. Adams, five; Nellie Maw, four;  
Mrs. J. W. McWhorter, four; G. D.  
McNair, four. This is fine. Many  
thanks to all.

**God Honored Our Love  
For Lost Souls**

MONROE, VA. — I want to report  
a five weeks' meeting here at Monroe.

It closed last Tuesday night. God  
met with us the first night. A young  
married woman came to the altar and  
was slain out by the power of God. A  
day or two later she received the Holy  
Ghost. Since then about fourteen have  
found Jesus precious to them in for-  
giveness of sins. Six received the Holy  
Ghost and since the revival closed one  
more received the Holy Ghost. There  
were seven in the altar seeking the  
blessing of sanctification. We had the  
Lord's Supper and feet washing the  
night before the meeting closed. A  
truck load of the church folks came  
over from Lynchburg and three of the  
church folks from Alexandria, Va. The  
church was full and some said as  
many were in the yard. The sweet  
Holy Ghost was present and we had  
several showers of blessings. Praise  
God! The enemy put up a stiff fight  
but I'm glad prayer and fasting makes  
us able to put the enemy to flight. I  
ate one meal a day for nearly three  
weeks or maybe four, only two days  
out of the five weeks of meeting I ate  
three meals a day. Sometimes I did  
not eat or drink all day. God surely  
honored our love for the lost souls and  
blessed us, also gave us souls for our  
labor. Wish we could stay and fight  
on. Am very sorry to have to leave the  
state of Virginia for it is a needy field  
and I like to work in the state, but  
am called away home. Am leaving at  
an early date. Please pray earnestly  
that God will speedily save my sister  
and make her able to do her home  
work so I can soon get back to Vir-  
ginia. The fields are so white and the  
laborers are so few. I hate so bad to  
have to leave the field. Please don't  
fail to pray. Ask God to deliver me  
speedily. I don't know just how many  
of the converts will come into the  
can. Box 12.

**NOTICES & SPECIALS**

A revival will begin at the Church of  
God four miles northeast of Cleveland,  
Miss. on J. L. Smith's plantation on  
Friday night before the fourth Sunday  
in July. W. E. Raney, Overseer of  
South Carolina, will be in charge. Good  
singing, good preaching, and a good  
old time holiness meeting is expected,  
Holy Ghost having right-away. Every-  
body is invited. — B. F. Wolfe.

The Kentucky state camp meeting  
will begin August 9 at the camp  
ground about two miles southeast of  
Ravenna on the Beattyville Pike. Bro.  
G. A. Fore will be in charge.  
Owing to financial conditions in  
Kentucky this year, we have been un-  
able to improve the ground and pro-  
vide sleeping quarters as we wanted  
to. We would be glad if those who have  
a sleeping tent or could get one would  
bring it with them. Now if you can't  
be with us during the entire meeting  
come and enjoy a feast with us as long  
as you can. — R. H. Bell, State Over-  
seer.

The Mt. Olive Church of God at  
Shooping Creek, N. C. would like to  
know the whereabouts and spiritual  
condition of Sister Lenora Silvers,  
Vinson Silvers, and Sister Margie  
Goodson. — Zoa McClure, clerk.

I am at Jeffersonville, seven miles  
southeast of Marianna, Ark., in a few  
days meeting. We have no church here,  
not even a member of the church of God  
except me. The people here are  
hungry for the Gospel. I have arranged  
to begin a revival here the third Sun-  
day in August. We have a good school-  
house that we can have for the meet-  
ing but we will build a big brush ar-  
bor so we can have plenty of room.  
We have a good organ but need some-  
one to play it. We need lots of help,  
especially singers and altar workers.  
If there ever was a place that needed  
good, honest, Holy Ghost filled work-  
ers, it is here. I honestly believe if we  
can get some real Holy Ghost filled  
helpers there will be lots of good done.  
Now come in the name of the Lord.  
Come. — J. H. Morgan, Marianna, Ark.

To the neighboring churches and all  
who are interested: This is to let you  
know we will begin a revival at the  
Church of God at Rock Hill, S. C. the  
third Sunday in this month, July 20,  
with Sisters Myrtle Whitehead and  
Pauline Jackson in charge. We are  
expecting a real feast and ask an in-  
terest in the prayers of one and all  
that believes God will answer. Pray,  
pray for the success of the meeting.—  
One who loves Christ and his church.  
Geo. W. Cooper, pastor, 474 W. White  
St., Rock Hill, S.C.

To the churches in Louisiana: We  
are back in the state to take up our  
work again. Wife has recovered from  
malaria fever and we are in the bat-  
tle again. Anyone wanting to write me,  
may address me at Dunn, La. which  
is my permanent address. — E. E.  
Simmons, State Overseer.

The Church of God of Colorado, Tex.  
wants to know the whereabouts and  
spiritual condition of Brother Jewell  
Kelly, last heard of in February of this  
year. — Mrs. Lina O'Donnell, clerk,  
Rt. 3, Colorado, Texas.

The Church of God at Faxon, Okla.  
wishes to know the whereabouts and  
spiritual condition of Sister Lilly Bates  
and Sister Gladys Teehee. If not heard  
from in a reasonable length of time  
their names will be taken from the list. — J. L. Collins, clerk, Faxon, Okla.

This is to notify the Churches of  
God everywhere that Harmon E. Helmick  
and wife are not members of the  
Church of God. They offered themselves  
for membership in their home  
town, Buckhannon, W. Va., and they  
would not accept them on account of  
the life they were living. But later  
they went to one of our country  
churches in the Clarksburg District.  
You can beware of them until confes-  
sions are made. — E. O. Sells, District  
Pastor, Box 184, Salem, W. Va.

Notice to all the ministers, clerks,  
and churches in general in the state  
of Oklahoma: The state convention  
comes only once in a year. I believe  
that we will have some very impor-  
tant things to consider for the future  
advancement of the Church of God in  
the state. I want everyone to attend  
if possible. If you cannot, then earnestly  
pray that God will have His way.

Every minister and clerk should  
attend and bring with them a written  
report of the actual increase of proper-  
ty, membership, etc. We also request  
every Sunday School superintendent  
and secretary to come and bring his  
report. We desire to increase the Sun-  
day School interest and the efficiency  
of the workers.

We hope to have free entertainment  
for all, and especially for the minis-  
ters. We expect to have baptiz-  
ing as soon as the pastor comes back  
to Monroe. — Yours in the Master's  
glad service, Evangelist Fannie Dun-  
can, Box 12.

I request prayer for my three sons

to be saved. Especially pray for my  
son to be delivered from the drink  
habit. I make this appeal to one and  
all. — Your sister, Mrs. W. A. Beverly,  
Thomaston, Ga.

I request special prayer for the  
healing of my husband's body. He is  
very sick and is fully trusting the  
Lord for healing. If Brother Rouse  
sees this, have a special prayer for  
him. — I. L. Morgan, Rt. 1, Box 63,  
Foxworth, Miss.

I have four unsaved brothers. Pray  
that God will save them before it is  
too late. Also pray for my husband  
that he may be completely healed.  
Pray for me that I may stay humble  
and true and do more for the Lord  
than ever before. — Your sister in the  
Lord, Mrs. Edna Brown, Rt. 5, Box  
118, Sparta, Tenn.

I want the saints to pray for the  
healing of my body. Some say I have  
pellagra and am also ruptured. I know  
Jesus can heal me. He has healed me  
a number of times and I am still  
trusting in Him. Pray much for me.  
I am in bed and so weak. I need your  
help. I have the Holy Ghost and am  
a member of the great Church of God.  
— Your humble brother, J. F. William-  
son, Alabama City, Ala.

Pray for husband and me to get  
the baptism some night while we gather  
around our little family altar. Pray  
earnestly for this as we can't go to  
church often we live too far and have  
no money to go. — Mrs. H. W. Holden.

All the saints everywhere pray for  
my limb. I got it burned about eight  
months ago. It has never completely  
healed. The doctors told me I would  
have to have it skin grafted or it  
would not get well. I believe God will  
heal without it for He healed my arm  
when the doctors wanted to take it off.  
Pray for me to be healed and get back  
where I once was. — Mrs. Susie Ford,  
Lawrenceville, Ill.

Please pray a special prayer for my  
niece who is confined to a hospital  
for the insane and has some serious  
physical effect. She is not expect-  
ed to live at present. I will also ap-  
preciate the saints' prayers for myself  
as I have a serious internal con-  
dition and hope to avoid another op-  
eration. I have had ill health for  
many years. I am trusting the dear  
Lord to heal us if it is His will. Pray  
that my people may all turn to God  
and lead Christian lives. — Miss M.  
Willis, 402 58th St., Altoona, Pa.

To the ministers of Arkansas: The  
Minister's convention for Arkansas  
will convene at Marked Tree, Arkansas  
Aug. 20-24 inclusive. Bring your family  
and make this the greatest of all our  
Arkansas state assemblies. Services  
three times a day. — S. F. Beard,  
Overseer in charge.

The Washington camp meeting of  
Eastern North Carolina convenes  
August 15-25. — John L. Stephens,  
State Overseer

Please pray that I may get the  
blessing and do some work for Jesus.  
I have a mother who is afflicted with  
asthma. Pray for the healing of her  
body and that she may be saved, sancti-  
fied, and filled with the Holy Ghost.  
I also have an unsaved brother out in  
the world. Pray for him to be led in  
to the light. — Your sister in Christ,  
Miss Lucille Laurimore, Bithlo, Fla.

I want the Evangel family to have  
a special prayer for me. If it is the  
Lord's will I want Him to heal my  
body. — A sister under the blood, Mrs.  
Mary Sheppard, Pulaski, Va.

Please pray that I may get the  
blessing and do some work for Jesus.  
I have a mother who is afflicted with  
asthma. Pray for the healing of her  
body and that she may be saved, sancti-  
fied, and filled with the Holy Ghost.  
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We are now at Forsan, Tex. in a re-  
vival. Meeting began last Monday  
night. The crowds are increasing and  
we have good interest. This is an oil  
field town twenty miles south of Big  
Spring, Texas. Please pray that God  
will give us many souls here. — J. T.  
Campbell and wife, evangelist, Miss  
Tiny Roberts, Pianist.

Please pray for the healing of my  
body. I am afflicted in a way that I  
am not able to do the Gospel work  
that was assigned to me. I have some-  
thing like a cancer on the left side of  
my face. Dear saints of God, please  
pray as you read my request that I  
will be healed and soon be out on the  
Gospel field again working for the  
salvation of lost souls and for the  
great cause of our Lord and Master.

An humble brother in the great  
Church of God, W. A. Baxter, Box 124,  
Pahokee, Fla.

Please pray for our meeting here.  
This is a new field for holiness. Also  
pray that I may be sanctified and re-  
ceive the baptism of the Holy Ghost  
before this revival closes. — Your  
brother in Christ, Elmer Futrell, Rt.  
1, Golden Pond, Ky.

I humbly ask an interest in the  
prayers of the saints at Cleveland and  
elsewhere for my father who is suffer-  
ing with asthma of the heart. He is  
saved and wants the Holy Ghost.

Please pray that he will be healed and  
baptized with the Holy Ghost. If  
Brother Rouse sees this, please pray for  
him. — His daughter, Ida Young,  
Rt. 1, Bauxite, Ark.

This way just suits me and I want  
to enjoy a spiritual feast at the Gen-  
eral Assembly this year, if the Lord will

make a way for me to get there. I want  
to work while I am here as I shall  
pass this way one time only. — An  
humble Church of God brother,  
Everett Scarberry.

**Have 30 Members  
Now**

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WHITESVILLE, W. Va. — I praise

the Lord for saving, sanctifying and

filling me with the Holy Ghost. I

praise Him for His healing power. He

healed my body. We set a church in

order at Whitesville and had a revival

conducted by Brother Douglas. There

were forty saved, some reclaimed and

seventeen prayed thru to the baptism

of the Holy Ghost. Praise the Lord!

We have thirty members now. We are

looking for a great work to be accom-

plished and want the church to rise

and shine. Please pray for the church

at Whitesville, that God will bless the

work and add to the Church of God.

Pray for me. — Facie Hawks, clerk.

There were representatives from

Wabasso, Ft. Pierce, and Jupiter. Din-

ner was served on the outside of the

church. Words of encouragement were

spoken by Brother Jones, Brother

Wallace, Brother Sol, and also the

writer for the benefit of the work.

Pray for us at Jensen, that the Lord

will have His way. — Your brother in

Christ, Silas Mackey, Jensen, Fla.

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CAN FOR JESUS**

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## THE CREATION AND FALL

Henry Sedelmaier, Grand Ledge, Mich.  
The Lord spoke creation before the earth stood,  
He made the heavens and the earth and saw they were good;  
His Spirit moved upon the deep and said, Let there be light.  
The light broke forth upon the land and the darkness He called night.  
Thus the earth was made and all therein, the heavens and the land, The grass and fruit all were good for it was made by God's own hand;  
The animals and fish came next and all the birds that fly,  
God blessed them all and said, Be fruitful and multiply.  
Next God made man in His own image and in His likeness fair,  
And told him to have dominion over land, sea and air.  
Now Adam named all the beasts and all the creeping things,  
But of all the things made no help-meet was found for him.  
The man slept, one of his ribs was created into life  
And brought before the man to be to him a wife.  
God placed them in a garden and told them not to try  
To eat of the forbidden fruit or they would surely die;  
But the serpent in the garden was in a devilish mood,  
He told the woman to eat thereof, that it was good for food.  
She ate the fruit and gave to Adam, their eyes were opened wide;  
They saw that each were naked, from God they tried to hide.  
God then cursed the serpent for beguiling Mother Eve  
And cursed the ground for man's sake, the garden they must leave;  
He drove them out of Eden, the world they had to face.  
This is the fall of Adam's race when man fell from grace.  
But God still has a plan whereby we can be saved from sin:  
He sent His only begotten Son; we must believe on Him.

## FACES BRIGHT WITH GLORY

PRINCETON, W. Va. — The district convention of the Princeton District with Brother T. J. Meade as district overseer has come to a close. It will linger in our memory to encourage us to look forward to the final gathering of the faithful when Jesus will preside. Bless His dear name! The convention began the night of June 20 with real unity. Truly we can say how good and how pleasant for brethren to dwell together in unity. Surely the Lord is leading His people.

The welcome address by the district overseer and pastor of Princeton church was enough to make each visitor feel welcome. The response was given by others. Sister Effie Jordan and Brother Walter Moxley gave inspiring exhortations. Brother Bob Reed brought forth a sermon on "Benefit of Communion of the saints." Bro. Hutto who had been with us for a while in a revival preached a wonderful sermon on "Go Forward." A \$23.05 offering was taken for our state overseer. Brother Wiley Jennings preached well on "A Bright Promise." Brother Shaffer preached a good sermon on "Our Hope in the Evil Day." We also had street meeting on Saturday evening. We trust some good seed were sowed. Brother Lonnie Hollingsworth led in praise service in which some fiery testimonies were heard and praises to Christ for salvation. Brother Ben Woodring preached a truthful sermon on "How to Be Saved." On Sunday Brother J. R. West preached a real encouraging sermon on "Never Alone." Brother Smith also brought to memory some very precious thoughts on "The Suffering of Christ." Brother Charley Blankenship and Brother Euel spoke on the Orphanage and its need and the sadness of orphans without a mother's love. Brother T. J. Meade and Brother Perkins played stringed instruments and sang "Since My Mother's Dead and Gone," also "If I Could Hear My Mother Pray Again." The dear saints responded to the call and an offering was received for the "Boys' Home" amounting to \$40.29 for which we thank God. In the afternoon Brother Meade had the call of the churches. Most all had delegates with faces shining with the glory of God. The State Overseer preached the dedicatory sermon which we all enjoyed. Sunday night Brother Roy Marcus preached on "Proving God." I am sure it was a blessing to all. The State Overseer preached on "The Crowning Day."

Everyone said this was the best convention Princeton District had ever had. The saints here all like our pastor and appreciate him. He is a real shepherd in Israel. He feeds the flock instead of clubbing them. The saints here are in unity and all are looking for the great crowning day. As we sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" we did not weep as those who have no hope but felt assured if we should meet here no more we would be able to again clasp glad hands on the shore of sweet deliverance. Let us all pray for the great cause of Christ. — Your sister in Christ, Mae Akers.

## The First Thing a Disciple Should Pray For

(Continued from page one) known. Everywhere and from all classes we hear the appeals for help. There is a craving in the hearts of men and women for something that they have not. Souls are weary of sin, their hearts are desiring communion with their Maker. I ask myself the question, and I ask you, dear reader, how fares the Church in the face of these things? How is it in you? Is it ready to go to work? Is it ready in you and me? Are you ready for the Holy Ghost to say, Separate me so and so for the work that I have called them to do? Is there something in you that quickens your innermost being? Don't you hear an amen way deep down in your heart? Is there something in you that desires to be on the march double quick time for Jesus? Or if you feel moving at all you feel a spirit of reluctance, a spirit of fear, a timid spirit that wants to draw back? Are we staggering under a load of doubt and unbelief? Has the war between flesh and spirit terminated in victory for the flesh? or do we feel like leaping to the front with Jesus at our side, the Holy Ghost in our hearts to work and pray till the kingdom comes? Don't treat these questions lightly, give them place in your meditation, stop and be serious for a few days. Personally, I have never had greater faith in the little time that I have put in prayer and labor, but I am delighted with my Saviour and the power of His gospel. I know that there are some who are discouraged. I know that difficulty confronts us. I know that we will meet opposition, but opposition is no reason for abandonment. Some have met setbacks but that is no reason for turning back. Some have become despondent but, dear one, you cannot afford to despair. Let's take courage and pray once more, THY KINGDOM COME. Then let's go to work and not allow our prayers to stop inside our own yard, neither must our faith rest on folks nor feelings, but let it rest on the character of an omnipotent God and His Word. Then when contrary winds blow and great men fall, you can feel as safe as Abraham and as satisfied as Lazarus in his bosom. (Hallelujah!) I am with that people that are ready to pray as Jesus prayed, and work like Jesus worked. If you care to vote on a proposition of this nature, you can count both of my hands up. Even though it cost me more than I think, even to the giving of my life, I dare not frame a prayer at my lips and refuse to make it a program for my life.

Please, men and women, boys and girls, be patient a few more minutes and I am thru for this time. If sometimes the depression does seem to come down upon us and crush us into a feeling of helplessness and we lie prone with this great responsibility on us and hear the call of duty appealing to us, remember that you have the privilege of taking Christ's name on your lips and by virtue of His blood and the aid of the Holy Ghost you have the privilege of entering the Holy of Holies, then with an eye of faith look on the Hero of the cross though He fell under the icy hand of death and was placed in a cold tomb, He arose with victory in every move of His body, every twinkle of the eye, each wave of the hand; every word from His lips meant victory, His presence means victory over everything and victory for everything, WHOSE NAME IS ABOVE EVERY NAME, WHOSE WE ARE AND WHOM WE SERVE, marching steadily on to the ends of the earth without fear and with confidence still teaching us that the first thing that His disciples should pray for is THY KINGDOM COME. I see, and I believe that you see, the duty disclosed in this text calls for us to go out in unwavering loyalty to apply our lives, give our time, talent and means to work for this great event, namely, THY KINGDOM COME.

## New Church Organized

WARRIOR, Ala. — God has wonderfully blessed our souls at Nytota. Bro. W. Jarvis and wife of Empire, Ala., have been here in a battle over two weeks. Twenty-four have been baptized with the Holy Ghost, twenty-six sanctified, twenty-eight saved, and a church set in order with eighteen members. Four have been added since. Twelve followed the Lord in water baptism and others are to follow.

There have been many oppositions but God is giving victory over it all. Unorganized people have fought the Church of God bitterly but she is rising and shining. Praise God! God is healing the sick and casting out devils. Many wonderful things have happened. God is changing people who seemed impossible to reach. The end is not yet.

Please pray for God to hold us up in our bodies, giving strength to hold up the standard to the end. We desire the prayers of all who read this that more souls will be reached. This place is shut off from other places where we can get very little help from other places but we invite our brothers and sisters from other churches to come and help us all you can. — Your unworthy sister, Minnie E. Haynes, Rt. 3.

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### In Gethsemane

Wm. E. Brown, Ohio

With my natural vision I can only see the horizon a few miles distant, but with that inner vision of the mind I look out across North Carolina about seven thousand miles across the blue waters of the Atlantic and Mediterranean to a country called Palestine. There outside the eastern wall of Jerusalem, across the brook Kedron, at the foot of Mount Olivet was a place called Gethsemane.

The garden of Gethsemane, as I picture it, was an olive grove with an oil press in it for pressing oil out of the olives. The garden may have been fenced. If it were not for the things that transpired in Gethsemane about nineteen hundred years ago, we would be no more interested in it than any other garden. The fact that Gethsemane was an olive orchard about one half mile east of Jerusalem does not make it dear to me or to other Christians, but rather our Lord's associations with it.

Times our Lord stole away from the multitudes and the whirl of a busy world to a quiet spot in Gethsemane to commune with the Father in prayer. Would not our spiritual life be better if we too would spend more time in a secluded spot in prayer, just shutting out the world and forgetting our daily cares? The joy and peace we would get out of such a prayer life would more than repay us.

On the night of the betrayal Jesus and the eleven apostles, Judas Iscariot being absent, crossed the brook Kedron and entered Gethsemane. Jesus told eight of them to sit here while He went to pray. Then being very sorrowful Jesus took Peter, James, and John and went deeper into the grove. "Tarry ye here and watch with me" were Jesus' words to Peter and the two sons of Zebedee as He left them and went about a stone's cast farther and fell down and prayed. The disciples could go with Christ a little way in the time of his agony, but there was a thorny path He had to travel alone. It seemed as if even the Father had forsaken Him. Many people trust someone to do the praying they ought to do. I am afraid if Jesus had trusted His disciples to do His praying on that memorial night we would be a hopeless people. Christ's agony in the garden, I believe, was greater than we can picture it, yet I want you to get a glimpse of the Gethsemane scene on that horrible night.

On returning from prayer Jesus found His weary disciples, the chosen three, fast asleep. Seeing that His three closest disciples did not watch one hour while He, being in agony of soul, prayed until His sweat became as great drops of blood, what are those doing who are following Christ afar off? What will their reward be? Returning the third time from prayer, only to add to His sorrow, He found Peter, James and John asleep again. Now let us notice Jesus' prayer, "O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt." Surely no Christian disputes the fact that Christ was divine. But He was human also, in that He was born of woman. Human nature shrinks from death and Christ

### LETTER OF EULOGY

I wish to thank the Lord for the privilege of running a tent meeting in Marion, S. C. under the auspices of Brother J. W. Heaton, District Overseer. I also want to express our appreciation of the kind hospitality extended to my wife and myself by the various citizens of the town in whose homes we visited. We can truthfully say that the hospitality and fellowship increased continually throughout the meeting.

We highly appreciate the courtesies and hospitality of Bro. W. S. Foxworth in whose tent the meeting was conducted, and in whose home we were entertained much of the time. Brother Foxworth is an aged minister. He is also a banker and one of Marion's most successful business men. Therefore, he was very liberal in furnishing us a tent and the material to seat it. He also gave liberal financial contributions to the support of the services.

I must write of the ministerial fellowship which exhibited between Bro. J. W. Heaton and all the other ministers that cooperated in the meeting. Ministerial fellowship prevailed instead of ministerial friction, consequently a revival developed.

Through the courtesy of Bro. Foxworth the writer is now engaged in a tent meeting at Radford, Va. I request that my many friends pray for the success of this meeting. — Your little servant, Bun E. Hicks, Monroe, Va.

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## Souls Are Getting Blessed In Michigan

Our revival at Selby began June 1st just after our convention and closed June 28th. Brother and Sister Warden of Canton, Ohio were in charge. Their singing and preaching was enjoyed by all. People who lived within three miles of the church came for the first time since the church was set in order five years ago. The church was greatly revived but we can't tell until Jesus comes how much good was done.

Michigan is a hard field. It takes good, clean living, good preaching and lots of praying to accomplish anything, but thank God, we have some people who are certainly doing this and more. I want to say something about how the people help in a financial way. When the deacon announces a grocery shower, everybody responds liberally, but during this revival the people brought in something every night without it even being mentioned.

Brother and Sister Warden are in a meeting at Pontiac and we are in Jackson, a new place, and there is much opposition but if God be for us, who can be against us? Praise the Lord! He is blessing souls here. Bro. McGuire was here two weeks but had to return to his church. Brother Cross and Brother Morehead will be here next week with us. Brother Cross surely is working hard for the Church of God in Michigan. He is a man of ability and talent. He stands for the clean thing and won't say anything in the church that isn't good and clean. We need men who are not afraid to stand for the right. The devil is doing his best to disrupt the Church of God. I often think of our dear Brother Payne who has been severely criticized so much for standing for the clean thing. I am glad for men like this. I think of the other good men in the church who will not let down and be easy. If we let down, folks, the devil will disrupt the church as he did the early church. We must stand for the truth and right. Pray for the Church of God in Michigan. — Your brother in Christ, J. B. Cole.

We have seen the agony of Christ's soul in prayer and to add to His sorrow the disciples went to sleep. Was that all of His trials? While He is waking Peter, James, and John for the third time, behold, here comes His called friend, Judas the traitor, with a mob of Jews and Romans and betrayed Jesus with a kiss. Lo, now something is going to happen! The excitement is high, every nerve is tense, except the cool, calm Saviour who has prayed, the angel strengthening Him to meet this hour. Shall He be arrested and taken captive? Peter, seeing what was about to take place drew his sword in defense of his Master and cut off Malchus' ear. Jesus told Peter to put up his sword. When the eleven really saw Jesus arrested and led away they all fled. And one laid hold of the garment of one young man, a disciple, who left his garment and fled.

In the hour of Christ's arrest none stood with Him to comfort or plead His innocence. Was not all this trying on Jesus who was both human and divine? Why did He lead the eleven on that moonlight night to Gethsemane? Why did He leave eight near the garden's entrance and take Peter, James, and John with Him to witness His mysterious agony, at least in part? Why did He suffer so, pray until His sweat became as great drops of blood? Oh! why did the chosen three go to sleep? Why did His supposed friend, Judas, betray Him? Why did His own people aid in the arrest? Oh! why did they do all those heart-rending things to our Christ? It was all for us, that He thru suffering and death might know us with our trials and help us to overcome every fiery trial.

To redeem us He came,

Tho' trials we have in this race,

If we earnestly call on His name

To overcome, He'll give us grace.

## Work Is Spreading Some In Louisiana

UNEEDUS, La. — I am so glad to tell what Jesus is to me. He is so much to me. I can't tell it all. He saved, sanctified and baptized me with the sweet Holy Ghost. I mean to do His will. Last July Brother A. P. Leigh came and ran a meeting from the 5th until the 21st. It was a new field. My mother and I received the Holy Ghost, five or six were sanctified and they have all received the Holy Ghost and now we are in a great revival. It has been running three weeks. Two have received the blessing. About seventeen are in the altar. Brother W. P. Webb is at the organ and also delivers some wonderful messages from the Word of God. Brother A. P. Gay is with us too. He has delivered some soul stirring messages. Their wives are good to help in the altar. Five were baptized Sunday. We will have another baptizing at the close of the meeting. We don't know how long it will run. The interest is good and so many people are coming. My husband is at the altar. Pray that he will get the blessing. The power of God has been falling and there has been old time dancing and talking in tongues. Brother Webb played the organ under the mighty power of God and sang in other tongues. Praise the dear Lord! We want to thank the good Church of God people here from Beddoe and Savannah Branch for their great help in the meeting. The Devil has tried to do harm all along the way but the Lord gives victory. Pray for this place. It is a new field. Pray for me to stay on victory side. — A sister under the blood, Luvenia Reed.

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## Jesus is Coming Soon

LEESVILLE, Va. — Dear Evangel readers everywhere, I feel like praising the dear Lord thru the paper that is such a help to me. I enjoy reading the good sermons and testimonies. It encourages me to press on and I know I will meet all the true children of God in heaven. Won't that be a glorious time up there above the trials and suffering that we have to endure in this world. Saints, please pray for this place. There is only a few of us and we are planning to build a house in which to worship.

Pray that God will put it on the hearts of the people to respond to this cause. Brother V. W. Blankenship is our pastor. We all love him as a shepherd over the flock. He preaches the truth with great power and demonstration of the Holy Ghost. Pray that God will have His way in my heart. I have a desire to be used for the glory of God and I want every thing purged out of my heart that is not like Him because I know He can't use any one who holds to anything of the flesh.

I realize that God is calling His dear children to a closer walk with Him and I feel the calling very sensitively. Dear brother and sister, please don't fail God but when He shows you what to do, walk in the light lest your light turn to darkness. We must hurry to put on all the armor of God because He is coming soon after His Bride, pure and spotless. Are you, dear brother and sister, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing? Are you free from speaking evil of your preacher or brother or sister? If you are not, you had better let Jesus fix you up so He can look over the portals of Glory and say, Father, I see my image, and then He will come after His Bride. Don't you want to see Him and reign with Him? I am sure you do for I truly believe every spirit-filled child of God is going thru a fiery trial.

Brother Rouse, please pray for the healing of my body. I have a large family and am not able to work for them. Pray for my unsaved husband and children. Your unworthy sister under the blood of Jesus, Mrs. Bruce White, Rt. 1.

## THE FIG TREE IS GETTING GREEN

MALLORY, W. Va. — Just a few lines from Mallory to let you know we still have the victory. Praise God! We have just closed a revival. Brother Paulk did the preaching. He surely did preach the Word from Genesis to Revelation. I praise God for a man who takes the Bible just as it is. There are only a few of us but we stand foursquare for the dear old Church of God. Well glory!

I thank God for our pastor, Brother Cecil McCane. He surely is a man of God and preaches the Word that will stand. Praise our God!

This is the first revival in our new church. We had such large crowds. We surely do have some hard fighters here but when they begin to fight we begin to pray. Oh I am so glad that Jesus said He would go with us all the way even to the end. That is why we can shout the victory.

I don't think it will be long until we can see our blessed Saviour coming on the clouds of Glory. Praise our King! I praise God tonight for the blood and for the Holy Ghost. I can feel the fire burning now. Won't it be a happy time when we all go to the marriage supper of the Lamb? We will see old Daniel and he will tell us how God shut the mouths of the lions and we will see the Hebrew boys and they will tell us about the faith that was tried out in the fire. Oh praise God! I have the Holy Ghost and fire. Dear brother and sister, if you haven't the Holy Ghost, fast and pray till He comes for we do not know what time the Lord will split the clouds then we will need the blessing. Oh sinner, look out and see the fig tree becoming green. Don't you know it can't be long until our Lord comes? How is it with your soul? How will you stand at the judgment before an angry God. Won't you repent now? I am so glad my old account was settled long ago. I want to tell the world that Jesus can heal for He heals me when I get sick. Sister, if you knew the joy of the Lord, you would give up sin right now.

Brother, sister, pray for my unsaved mother-in-law that she will understand the Gospel I want one and all to pray for me that I will be what the Lord wants me to be when He comes. I want to meet you around our Father's throne. — Your sister in Christ, Mrs. A. L. Pahl.

in our midst at Somerset. Let us press onward to the goal in heaven. We are laborers together with Him. May God bless everyone of His dear children and encourage our hearts to press on.

The financial committee reports \$164 in offering during the convention.

Anyone desiring remarks on sermons preached at the convention or full report, write me. I shall be glad to do anything for the glory of God. He means everything to me. — Your Sister in Christ Jesus, Hattie I. Legg, % A. L. Smith.

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# Obituaries

## GOINS

Our dear baby and nephew died Oct. 21, 1929. He was born May 22, 19-27, making him two years, four mos., thirty days of age. We left Detroit, Mich. Oct. 19, 1929 to attend the annual Assembly at Cleveland, Tenn. He was in good health. He surely did want to come to the Assembly & talked of going to church. He took bronchial pneumonia about one half hour after we arrived. He asked for prayer. We went to get some of the saints to pray for him but the Lord saw best to take him out of his suffering and pain. We weep not as those who have no hope. We know little Junior is at rest. Just before he died he clapped his hands and sang I'm in the Gloryland Way. He told mother and daddy goodbye. He leaves to mourn his death a father, mother, one brother, and a host of relatives and friends.

A beautiful life has passed away like the rainbow with its tinted ray: And hearts are torn, and hopes crushed. And the music of the home is hushed, For death has taken the darling one, The lovely babe and firstborn son.

The funeral was conducted at the Graysville Church of God by Brother Pruitt and his remains laid to rest in the Graysville cemetery to await the great resurrection of the dead. — Ones who loved him, his mother and aunt, Mrs. Violet Goins and Mrs. Nellie Wilson.

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## VARNELL

The death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Varnell and claimed for its victim little Bernice, age four years, on June 19, 1930. She leaves to mourn her death a father, mother, two sisters, three brothers, and many relatives and friends. We sorrow not as those who have no hope. We loved little Bernice but Jesus loved her better. Her funeral was conducted at the E. Chattanooga Church of God with Brother E. M. Ellis in charge. Her little body was laid to rest in the Greenwood cemetery to await the soon coming of Jesus.

Her little chair is vacant Which never can be filled; Away in the lonely casket Her little voice is still. — Written by one who loved her, Mabel Simpson.

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## GIBBS

God in the cool of the morning was walking down thru His flower garden on the beautiful June morning of the 30th, 1930 gathering one of His beautiful bouquets and plucked a beautiful bud from the home of Brother Bill and Sister Brittie Gibbs, little Hurmon Gibbs. He was two years, one month, and four days of age. All was done that loving hands could do but God in His greatness saw best to call little Hurmon to the great beyond where there will be no more heartaches, pain, or dying. He leaves to mourn his death a father, mother, two brothers, one grandfather, one grandmother, aunts and uncles, and other relatives and friends. Brother Charlie Herring conducted the funeral service and his little body was laid to rest in the New Buntled cemetery to await the coming of Jesus. — One who loved him, his aunt, Deanie Starns, Rt. 1, Blountsville, Ala.

PENLAND

Mrs. Mattie Ledford Penland of Hayesville, N. C. died at the Angel Brothers' Hospital, Franklin, N. C. June 27, 1930, age sixty-eight years. Mrs. Penland found the Lord early in life, united with the Methodist Episcopal Church and lived a consistent Christian until death. She was a lover of the Church of God and a regular reader of the Evangel for a number of years. Her entire life was that of a meek, humble, sweet-spirited companion and mother, always gentle and kind to everyone. She leaves a husband and one daughter to mourn her departure. Funeral services were conducted by Brother W. F. Sinclair, a Baptist minister, at the home of the deceased in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives, and her body was laid to rest in the family cemetery to await the resurrection. — Her nephew, Grover P. Ledford.

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## ALLEN

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Martin on June 28 and claimed for its victim their daughter, Jewel Allen, age seventeen years. She was married on Oct. 14, 19-28 to Daniel Allen. To this union was born one son. Jewel was a kind and affectionate mother and wife. She is greatly missed by her loved ones and friends. She leaves to mourn her death a husband, one son, age ten months, father, mother, three sisters, one brother, one grandmother, and a host of relatives and friends. The funeral was held at the home of her parents and interment was made in Shiloh cemetery. Jewel had many friends and her death was a great shock to all. — A friend, Mrs. Ila Lee, Thomaston, Ga.

## COPHART

Little John Barnabas Cophart was born Oct. 22, 1929 and came to his death June 16, 1930. He leaves to mourn his departure a father, mother, and three grandparents. Little J. B. came to his death by crawling feet foremost thru the head of an iron bedstead getting caught by his head under the rod of the bed. His mother was at prayer meeting two miles in the country. He had just been lying on the bed a few minutes when his mother went to see about him and found him hanging by his head dead. It was such a shock. They felt that he would recover and held on to God for an hour but he was gone. We can't understand things like this but God permitted it. We can't charge God foolishly. We know God does all things well. It was bad to think that his mother had just given up her little daughter, Bettie Joe, about four months ago. They both looked sweet but will look sweeter in their glorified bodies when Jesus comes and we meet them in the clouds with all the holy angels. They had lots of friends.

The funeral was conducted by the writer. His body was laid to rest in the Lawton cemetery to await the resurrection morning. The bereaved have our sympathy and prayers. — Mollie L. Wilson, Faxon, Okla.

With joy we meditate the grace of our High Priest above, His heart is full of tenderness, His bosom glows with love; Touched with sympathy within, He knows our feeble frame, He knows what sore temptations mean for He has felt the same.

He while in the days of feeble flesh poured out His cries and tears And in a measure felt afresh what every member bears. Then let our humble faith address His mercy and His power, We shall obtain delivering grace in such distressing hour.

## THEY WANT THE CHURCH OF GOD

MOOREFIELD, W. Va. — Just a few words of praise to our God and His Son Jesus for the good meeting here.

The five weeks' meeting (lacking two nights) closed last night with good success. Sixteen were saved and some sanctified. No one received the Holy Ghost but lots of folks are hungry for the blessing. This was a new field. This was the first holiness meeting held there but we can truthfully say the entire town and country for several miles around was moved and very much interested. We had extremely large crowds thru the entire meeting. Brother Kile, the pastor of the Church of God at Petersburg, and his folks were very faithful thru the whole meeting for which we were very thankful. Brother Seville, one of the Methodist pastors of Moorefield worked very faithfully thru the meeting. He also preached one night for us. He surely is a man of God. Brother Rigleman, a Christian minister, was with us and proved a blessing to us and the meeting. The mixed quartet from the Methodist church of Petersburg also came over one night and rendered some great service with their beautiful songs. May the Lord bless them for it. We surely had a nice home during our stay with dear Mr. and Mrs. James Tanner. They surely treated us royally. May the dear Lord bless them and their entire family.

While we could have set a church in order with about fifteen members, we didn't, thought it best to wait a while, but surely expect to see a good Church of God here in the near future. When we asked the large crowd the last night how many of them would like to see a Church of God in Moorefield, lots of hands were raised. Brother Kile is going to follow up the meeting. They have the schoolhouse for services for a while. There are fine prospects for a good work in the near future. We are shipping our gospel tent to Princeton, W. Va. where we expect to launch our next campaign. We covet the prayers of all the saints for us and the meeting there. — R. A. Fielden, state evangelist of W. Va. campaign.

## There Was Shouting and Dancing

The home coming was a wonderful day that will be long remembered. There was a hearty welcome at Oak Grove church for everybody. They came from Mississippi and Alabama. There were many strangers but you could feel the sweet spirit, the great love and power of the Holy Ghost. Brother Grover Dunn and wife were with us and he brought the message. We had plenty of dinner. Everybody enjoyed it. There was dancing and shouting under the power. We want all our brothers and sisters to come again. — An humble sister, Mary Wallace, Red Bay, Ala.

## A Good Revival In Townsend, Tenn.

We feel impressed to tell how the Lord is working in Townsend, Tenn. Brother W. A. Walker was called from Chattanooga to hold a meeting here where he pastored the Church of God several years ago. The folks loved him and had confidence in him and Sister Walker. He gave us the opportunity of coming with him to help in the meeting. The people received us gladly.

God has helped Brother Walker to give out the Word with power. From the beginning the people were hungry and souls were in the altar in the very first service. The power of God is falling in a wonderful way. Five were slain under the power in one service. The altar was filled with seekers, folks making up who had not spoken to each other in two years, folks giving one another, crowds increasing and new ones in the altar each night. In the two weeks' meeting thirteen have been saved of which number nine have received the Holy Ghost and eleven have been added to the Church of God.

Near the end of the first week a woman was shot to death by her husband. He also shot her mother three times but she wasn't seriously injured. The mother was a member of the Church. It was so sad and a shock and warning to the people to prepare to meet God. The saw mill company took people free from Townsend in a caboose and flat cars with crossties for seats. After going a few miles to where they were to take on the corpse, the crowd assembled there was so great that they had a short service, took the women and children back to Townsend, and then took the body, relatives, and nearest friends on up the valley to the graveyard. Brother Walker assisted in the services.

Last Sunday afternoon Brother Walker and we were asked to conduct a service seven miles from Townsend in a nice brick shed with tiling cover, on top of a hill in a graveyard. Many assembled with hungry hearts. We had a good meeting. We went over a dangerous mountain road, stopped at Cave Spring, went down rock steps under massive rocks to a cool running stream which made us think of the water of life refreshing our souls. We love these people. They have been so good to us. They seem to love Brother Walker and God is greatly using him here. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Trim.

## He Has a Mightier Power

AVON PARK, Fla. — I am glad to report victory in my soul. Bless His name. I am saved, sanctified, and baptized with heaven's sweet Holy Ghost. I am testifying thru the Evangel of Jesus' wonderful healing power, not for man alone to see, but to glorify my blessed Saviour. He alone shed His blood and died on the cross that we might have eternal life. Glory to Jesus!

During the epidemic of the measles that has just passed over, my three children took them. The two oldest recovered very well, but the baby nine months old had a very bad case of measles. She developed pneumonia, diphtheria, and head trouble. She also had a fever which lasted fourteen days and nights. It never cooled. Everything was done that earthly doctors could do and it seemed as tho' there was no chance. But we have assurance as long as there's breath there is hope. Husband, being a sinner, wouldn't consent for prayer. Baby was so low in the very shadow of death, he was afraid of the noise. But glory to God, God showed him He has a mighty power than man. At last he consented for prayer and we called in the saints for prayer and anointed her with oil. God did not undertake at first because He knew best. It took lots of hard praying and fasting. I realized her body was touched several different times. On one Friday evening about seven o'clock baby was sinking fast. We, the Church of God folks and sinner loved ones too, were on our knees crying out to God to spare its little life. Glory to God, He stepped on the scene. Hallelujah to Jesus, God touched her body and from that hour she began to mend. John 4:52.

I will long remember the dear ones who prayed so earnestly for her healing and also uplifted me in their prayers. I especially remember how faithful our pastor, Brother Yates, was, also Brother Prince from Ft. Meade. May God bless them all.

In conclusion I ask the saints of God everywhere to please pray for the church at this place. It is growing very cold. We need your prayers. Also pray for my unsaved husband. — A sister in Christ Jesus, Mrs. Robert Landress,

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## No Disappointments In Heaven

BYINGTON, Tenn. — Dear friends, can you imagine a place where there will be no disappointments? nothing to worry or trouble us any more, no more sickness or dying, no more tears or sad farewells. Won't it be wonderful to be in a city where everybody will be happy? where there will always be singing and sweet music, where the saints of all ages will be shouting and praising God. I am glad tonight that I am on my way to that blessed city. Altho, I meet with many trials and discouragements here I still have a determination to go on and make heaven my home. How I wish I could persuade my friends and loved ones to get into the right path. Here is a song I like very much.

## The City of Gold

Up in heaven, I've been told,  
Is a city of pure gold;  
Life eternal there we'll see,  
Love and joy beyond degree.

## Chorus

Won't you meet me, O my comrades,  
In that city of pure gold?  
Where we'll ever sing together  
While the ceaseless ages roll.

Many mansions are over there  
One for all who trust His grace;  
To that city let us go  
There to see our Saviour's face.

Crowns of glory there await,  
To reward the faithful few;  
Comrades, come and go with me,  
There's a crown up there for you.

Listen, comrades, to my plea,  
Always young and never old;  
Christ the Lord will make you free  
Sweetest story ever told.

This song tells my testimony better than I can write it. Please pray that the church here may be built up again and that the love of God may be rekindled in the hearts of the members. Pray for me and my family. — Mrs. Chastaine Norman, Rt. 1.

## Old Things Passed Away

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—I feel like I ought to speak every word I can for our dear Lord, to warn every precious soul I can to be ready to meet Him. I gave my life to Him about fourteen years ago. I am still walking and talking with Jesus, supping with Him and He with me. It is wonderful to live with the very presence of God in our lives. I have never grown tired of telling about Jesus. While I am telling others I am enjoying the presence of Jesus too. I want to be like Him when He comes. It makes me feel like shouting all the time, talking about this good old way, the way of Holiness.

When God first spoke to my heart, I did not know what it meant to live a Christian. I was a member of a church. God took hold of my heart in such a way I saw I was nothing in His sight. I was as filthy rags. I began to pray and I did not care who saw me because I was interested in my soul's salvation. I prayed all night and at the break of day I was made a new creature in Christ Jesus. Old things passed away and all things became new. It seemed the earth was new. Everything looked new. I could not talk in my own language for two hours. Some of the unbelievers said I had gone crazy but God knew I was clothed and in my right mind. It makes me feel like going up.

It seems like the more I talk about the Lord and His goodness, the more I want to talk and the more I do talk. — A sister at the feet of Jesus, Winnie Murphy, 404 Pulaski St.

## YOU OUGHT TO GO THERE

We closed a wonderful meeting at Scaly, N. C. June 22. It was conducted by Sister Pauline Jackson and the writer. Brother Frank Miller, pastor, was with us part of the time. Brother John Burk from Blairsville, Ga. came up and preached for us once, also Bro. Powell from Walhalla, S. C. came and preached for us one time. The meeting seemedly had all his forces combined against us and tried to run us off, but he held on to God. By fasting and praying the victory came.

We had a wonderful healing service while there. A sister had been sick, confined to her bed part of the time, not able to attend church in about three months. We climbed a mountain to get to her home and prayed for her. The Lord touched her body so she was able to walk across the mountain to church that night. All glory be to God!

The Lord also blessed in giving out the Word. During the meeting nine were saved, seven sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost, three came into the church, and four were baptized in water.

I have never met better people than at Scaly. They stood by us and we enjoyed being in their good homes. The church has been set in order four

## Mission Department

Material for this Department should be mailed to E. L. Simmons,  
Mission Secretary, Christopher, Ill.

## EDUCATION VS SALVATION

My attention has been called recently to the activities of denominational missionary organizations in foreign fields. The question, "Is education vs salvation?" has been given some comment by a recent writer to the Sunday School Times.

From observation in foreign fields I can see very little progress in denominational mission work toward real Christianity. The International College at Smyrna, Turkey is a fair specimen. We became well acquainted with a professor of mathematics of that college. He seemed far from even being interested in the cause of religion. We were told by him that they were not allowed to teach anything pertaining to religion in the college.

The president of the college made a speech to our group in which he lauded the Turkish government and praised the activities of Mustapha Kemal, the President of Turkey. Never a time was there anything said of what they had done to further Christianity. This modern missionary smokes his pipe, plays bridge, reads fiction and in short, seems so different from others. What is said of him can be said of many of the other teachers.

The Interdenominational college at Beirut, Syria is a wonderful institution teaching all branches of science and on our visit we could see signs of most everything else in the line of teaching except true Christianity.

Time would fail us to tell of the great good done by these churches thru their colleges, hospitals, etc. but with all of this we conclude that there is a vast difference in education and Christianity. What we need on the fields of foreign soil is a group of men and women who really know the Lord Jesus and will teach and live His religion. Is it not the mission of the Church of God?

WE KNOW HE HAS POWER

LONGVIEW, Miss. I'm glad that I can say I'm on victory side to day and feel so good. The sweet Holy Ghost abides right now in my soul. Praise His name! I just want to praise God for His wonderful healing power. I had a growth on my face that had been there for thirty-five years or more. It had grown to be as large or larger than a hen egg and husband and I began praying for the Lord to heal it. Bless His name, last Tuesday about seven o'clock He sweetly operated on me. After going off and speaking a secret prayer to God I came back and sat down on the front porch. I touched the growth with my hand and it was running. Bless God, by ten o'clock it was entirely gone and hasn't been sore at all. It vanished so quietly. Everything seemed to know just what the Lord was doing. Even the little birds seemed to cease singing while the Lord sweetly operated on me. I got happy several times while He was taking it away and spoke in tongues. It seemed that the Saviour was smiling upon me and softly saying, "It will soon be gone." I feel like I can never praise Him enough for what He has done for me. Some of the dear saints know how large the growth was but glory to God it is gone now. I give God all the praise. My husband told me about a week before the Lord removed it not to get discouraged, that he felt like the Lord was going to take it off and bless His holy name. He heard and answered our prayers. I promised Him I would testify to it and I mean to do so. I want to be a living witness for my blessed Saviour. I trust that this testimony may help someone with a diseased body or probably someone may have a growth on them. If so, just take it to the Lord in prayer and He will sweetly do the work without any help. We know He has all power and is able to help us. Come on, saints, and let's pray more and do more for Jesus. Pray for me that I may stay low at the foot of the cross and do His will at all times. Beadie Watkins.

years. They have thirty-nine members. The pastor, Brother Miller, has never had to hold a conference to deal with any of his members. If you don't believe they have the victory you ought to go there. Meeting began one Sunday morning and continued until three in the afternoon. Old and young shouted together. Perfect unity prevailed all during the meeting. We also appreciate the good singers who assisted us in the singing who were not members of the Church of God. May God bless them.

The last service was very sad. Many tears were shed as we bid them good-bye. We are now in a few days meeting at Clayton, Ga. — Yours for lost souls, Myrtle Whitehead, Hartwell, Ga.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA. — It seems this morning after reading so many good reports in the Evangel about the good work being done in the C. of G. Y. P. E. meetings that it would be good to let you know how God is blessing and helping at this place. We are in the midst of a revival just now. The young folks are doing their best to endeavor to do all they can to help folks thru to God. Our pastor, E. W. Williams, is standing behind us and encouraging us. We feel there are all on the boom for God and the C. of G. Y. P. E. Pray that we will hold fast to that which we have and let no man take our crown. — Yours for victory, E. Kenneth Center, Box 3513.

## Had Sweeping Victory

MARIETTA, Ga. — We have just closed a meeting here although many were interested and wanted the meeting to go on. There were seventeen in the altar Sunday evening. One got saved and two received the Holy Ghost. Fifteen were in the altar Sunday night